

8th Grade Art Syllabus

WELCOME to 8th Grade Art!! Because you will be rotating to three different exploratory classes this year, you will be in the art room for about 12 weeks. During these 12 weeks we will experiment with a variety of materials and techniques so you will get a taste of many different forms of art. Hopefully this will help you in deciding if or which art classes you would like to take during your high school career.

The following are Units and projects that we will be exploring this art session:

DRAWING:

- ***Creative Folders***
-folders to keep artwork in
- ***Forms and Shadows Drawing***
-Beginning drawings of basic forms and shadows for practice
- ***3D Creative Forms drawing***
-Create a 3D drawing collage of a min of 30 forms.
- ***Mc Escher Tessellation Drawing***
-Learn about the famous artist Mc Escher and how he created tessellations while you create your own unique design from tessellating shapes.

PAINTING:

- ***Mondrian Tempera Painting***
-Create your own painting using basic shapes and primary colors.

CERAMICS:

- ***Clay Plant or Animal Vessel***
- ***Wheel Thrown Pottery***
-Make a creative plant or animal inspired hand built vessel as well as some wheel thrown pottery creations of your choice.

SCULPTURE:

- ***Papier-mâché***
-Oldenburg Inspired Sculpture
- ***Origami***
-Learn the Japanese art of folding paper into some interesting things.

JEWELRY:

- ***Hemp Braiding Jewelry***
-Learn some techniques of braiding to make your own jewelry to wear.

If you happen to complete a project early go back and look at it again. You will be graded over the following guidelines: completion of the goals of the assignment, craftsmanship, time-on-task, and effort you put into your work.

If you do happen to get done with a project early you may work on an extra credit project of camouflaging a magazine triangle into a creative drawing. For this project I have many cut out small triangles to choose from. Simply choose a triangle and glue it to a piece of paper and try to create a design that blends in the triangle... BE CREATIVE!! You may complete up to 2 of these extra-credit drawings for 5 points each. Make sure you turn it in with your name on the back.